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## FOREWORD.

This brief account of our Lovering Lineage is based on research done years ago by Mary Lovering Holman.* It is to be hoped that some day time may be found in which to add to the data herein. In the meantime it will certainly serve as an outline and a basis for further work. The material gleaned on the early generations is scant but the early beginnings of the present State of Maine are themselves shrouded, and the sources of record very meagre.

Winifred Lovering Holman.

December 1932.

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*There is nothing published on this Lovering Family. The only known Lovering Manuscript is in the possession of Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman of Watertown, Mass., this contains data on the descendants of the various immigrants of the name.

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## EARLY LOVERING IMMIGRANTS

I. William Lovering who came with his sisters to Massachusetts.

II. John Lovering, born about 1600, whose widow, Anne, married Rev. E. Brown of Watertown, Mass. His nephew, Thomas Lovering, came to Watertown in 1663. These two are known to be of the Ardley, Essex, and Aldham, Suffolk, Loverings. There is much material, both published and in manuscript form, to be obtained on this particular family.

III. John Lovering who settled in Dover, N. H., about 1660, and was drowned there leaving several children. His son, John, from whom descend the Loverings of Maine, New Hampshire, and Essex County, Mass., appears often in the early records. John seems to have been of quite a different class than William Lovering, but this may be because his son, John Jr., left a minor, was not as well cared for as William's son, Robert Lovering.

IV. John Lovering of Boston, Mass., who left an only daughter, and whose existence is proved by a deed recorded in Suffolk County, Mass. It is quite possible that he was a brother of William Lovering.

There was apparently no connection between the first three immigrants named above, at least no close relationship. It is extremely probable, as will later be pointed out, that

William Lovering came from Cornwall or Devon, in England, and probably from Cornwall, where the name still persists.

LOVERING LINEAGE

The origin of this particular Lovering Family is unknown. It seems quite logical that an early immigrant of the name came about 1650-1670 to New England, perhaps to Maine, and soon died here, leaving a family; or perhaps it was a widow Lovering who brought her children over here at about this time. The late J. Gardner Bartlett stated that a Jone Lovering, aged sixty-nine, deposed in Suffolk County, Mass., 6 Feb. 1682-83; she would have been about the right age to have been the mother of these children.* The late Colonel Charles E.. (continued on page 7)

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*The noncupative will of Sarah Phillips of Boston, Mass., dated 29 Dec. 1682, proved 6 Feb. 1682-83, divided her property between John, Robert, Ann, and Mary Greenough, children of her cousin William Greenough.

William Greenough and "Jone Lovering," personally appeared 4 Jan. 1682 and testified that they were present when the deceased declared her will etc.

Debborah Emery, aged about 50, and Elizabeth Greenough, also testified about this will, the first on the 6th, and the latter on the 3d of February 1682.

Written on a small piece of paper, undated, and unsigned

appears the following:

"I Jone Lloveren aged sixty nine yeares or there abouts doe testefi that when Mistreis sarah philleps now desesed was asked Conserning hur will fforther then is now writen as hath ben heard shee maid anser: I will Consider of it and fforther saith not." (Suffolk Probate, 1261, original papers.)

Banks made a little research in England for Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman, but obtained nothing about this family.

It is however definitely known that William Lovering our progenitor was here in Maine by 1672, and that he had a sister Jane who married John Pride and a sister Sarah who married first John Place and secondly, John Bushnell. No attempt has been made by the compiler to obtain further data about his sisters or his possible brother, John Lovering. Doubtless careful research and a large amount of time would produce quite a clear and accurate account of them and their respective families. Briefly then, this unknown Lovering forbear had the following children:

i. William, b. about 1640; m. Margaret Gutch. (vide post)

ii. Jane b. about 1652, d. 1713, Beverly, Mass.; m. about 1670, John Pride for whom Prides Crossing is named; they lived in Maine and later settled in Beverly where all their known children were bapt. 12 Dec. 1686. Children (Pride), (1) William, removed by 1737 to Norwich, Conn.; (2) Peter, b. 1675, d. 1748

ae 68; (3) Elizabeth; (4) John; (5) Joseph; (6) Mary.

iii. Sarah b. about 1654; m. (1), about 1673, John Place, bapt. 1 Sept. 1650, Boston, son of Peter and Alice Place; she m. (2), John Bushnell. Children; (Place) b. Boston, (1) Sarah, b. 11 July 1674; m. 13 July 1695, Thomas Stevens, of Maine; (2) Hannah, b. 10 July 1679; (3) Joanna, b. Jan. 7, 1681; (4) Jane, b. 18 Apr. 1683; m. 1 May 1703, Anthony Underwood. The latter's testimony is of value; "Jane Underwood of lawful Age Testifieth and Saith that She knew John Pride who lived in the Eastern parts of New England and that his Wife was Jane Lovering my Mothers own Sister that they after Wards removed to Beverly & there they Both Died I Also knew William Pride the reputed Son of John Pride & Jane his Wife. Jane Underwood X her mark." Sworn at Boston, 1 June 1737. (York Deeds XVIII, Fol. 254.)

? iv. John, who m. before 1689, Jane ---, and d. before 1695. His widow m. (2), int. 17 Oct. 1695, John Phelps. Child (Lovering), Mary, bapt. 13 Jan. 1689, was living a widow Fiske in 1718.*

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* "Jane Phelps of Boston . . . Widow and Relict of John Lovering late of Boston afores$^{d}$ Marriner deced and Mary Fiske of s$^{d}$ Boston Widow only Child & Heir of the s$^{d}$ John Lovering - -

we . . . for . . . One Hundred and Thirty Pounds . . . paid by John Jackson and Thomas Jackson both of Boston . . . Housewrights. . . sell . . . to the s^d John Jackson and Thomas Jackson . . . All that our Certain Messuage . . . in Boston . . . near unto the Mill Bridge with all the Land belonging to the same . . . Together with the all the houses . . . Priviledges (etc.) . . . to the s^d granted premises belonging . . ." Dated 7 July 1718.

Witnessed by,
Jn^o Willard
Jos-Marion

"Jane P Phelps Signum and a Seal
Mary Fiske & a Seal"

Acknowledged 8 July 1718; recorded 29 July 1718. (Suffolk Deeds, 33:56.)

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WILLIAM[1] LOVERING, brother of Jane Pride and of Sarah Place, probably born in Cornwall or Devon, England, about 1640, died before 1690, probably in Maine. He married before 1676, and probably about 1665, Margaret Gutch, baptised as an adult in Roxbury, Mass., 13 Sept. 1663, died in Roxbury about 1690, daughter of Rev. Robert Gutch a prominent early Maine devine.*

He apparently settled first in Essex County, Mass., where he was a constable of Rowley (sic Blodgett states he was of Newbury), in March 1665. It was probably about this time that he married Margaret Gutch whose father was then of Salem in that County. The Marke Lovering who deposed in November 1667 in an Essex County Court, may have been a brother of William. From

Essex County, William Lovering went down to Sheepscot, Maine, which was in 1675 destroyed by the Indians. From there William fled to Boston where he had a child born the next year. There is every reason to think that he later returned to his property in Maine and lost his life in a second Indian raid there, perhaps in 1688. His widow lived in Roxbury and it seems possible that the Williams family of that town were family connections of hers.

In a petition of the inhabitants of Sheepscott, 18 May 1672, in the "Eastern Parts of New England," appears the name of "Wm. Loveren." A copy of this petition is on file at the Supreme Court, or old Superior Court of Judicature in Boston, 1117. (Maine Historical Society Collections 5:240.)

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* For an account of Rev. Robert Gutch see end of this report.

At a meeting held in Boston, 19 Aug. 1682, articles of association for the settlement of a town upon the Sheepscot River were signed by "William Lowering" and others. This was attested to again by William Lowering and others at New Dartmouth (Maine), 16 Sept. 1684. An undated petition was presented by the inhabitants of Pemaquid and bears the signature of William Lowering among others. Again, 21 Apr. 1684, a petition of the inhabitants of New Dartmouth "in y$^{e}$ Easterne Parts of y$^{e}$ County Cornwall in America," bears the signature of William Lovering. These papers are to be found in the Colonial Mss. of New York, xxxiv, xxxii. (ibid., 5:57,88,100.)

In 1683, William Lovering signed a petition to Colonel Dongan of New York, under whose jurisdiction this section of Maine then lay, as an inhabitant between the river Kenybeke and St. Croix. (ibid., 81.) It is interesting to note that as a result of the Indian Wars, New Dartmouth, a village on the Sheepscote River, was destroyed with the exception of four or five houses. This place was incorporated in 1758 as Newcastle, Maine.

Between 1700 and 1720 the claims to Eastern Lands were investigated and from these records it may be noted that William Lovering received a grant 20 Aug. 1686, for which his heirs put in a claim during this period:

"Wm Lovering Claimes for him Selfe and Brothers and Sister one hundred and Sixty acres of Upland and 20 acres of Medow lying on y^e^ Eastad Side of Dyers River in New Dartmouth. To pay Quitt rentt one bush. 1-2 wheat Every year By Patent to his ffather Wm Loverin und^r^ Coll Dungen. Dat 20 Aug^st^ 1686 ---." (Book of Eastern Claims; Maine Historical and Genealogical Recorder 6:475.)

Subsequent deeds recorded in Maine about this particular grant of land prove who the heirs of this William were and will be found under the account of his son, Robert[2] Lovering. There are also a number of interesting depositions filed in the York Deeds that prove the Lovering and Gutch connections:

24 May 1737, sworn at Boston: "Deborah Burnet being of Lawful Age Testifieth . . . that She lived At the Eastward at Sheep-

scot in New England with her Aunt Margaret Lovering whose Maiden Name was Gutch for several Years That she well knew Robert Lovering who also lived at Sheepscott when I lived with my Aunt as aforesaid And that the aforesd Robert Lovering was ye reputing Son of William Lovering & my Aunt Margaret Lovering alias Gutch. Deborah Burnet." (York Deeds XVIII, fol. 253.)

Same date, sworn at Boston, "Mary Lyddiard of lawful Age Widow Testifieth & saith that She knew Robert Lovering of Roxbury in the County of Suffolk & that my Mother his Aunt has often told me that the sd Robert was the Son of William Lovering & Margaret his Wife whose Maiden Name was Margaret Gutch. Mary Lyddard." (ibid.)

23 May 1737, sworn at Boston, "Samuel Williams Aged about Fifty Six Years & Joseph Warren Aged about Forty Years both of Roxbury in the County of Suffolk Do Testifie . . . that they were well Acquainted with Robert Lovering and Allice his Wife late of Roxbury and that Abigail Lovering now Spinster of Deadham & Joseph Lovering now of Holleston in the County of Middlesex & Elizа Lovering now Elizа Eaton of Deadham & Robert Lovering now of Roxbury & Samuel Lovering now of Newton . . . they were always reputed to be the Children of the abovesd Robert Lovering and Allice his Wife Samuel Williams Joseph Warren. (ibid.)

Jane Underwood's testimony has already been noted.

30 May 1737, sworn at Boston, "Philip White who was born

& lived at Kennebeck Aged about Seventy five Years Testifieth and saith that he knew W$^{m}$ Lovering who lived at Sheepscott in the Eastern Parts of New Engl$^{d}$ & near the afores$^{d}$ Kennebeck who Married Margaret Gutch of Kennebeck Also he knew Robert Lovering of Roxbury who was the reputed Son of the aforesaid William Lovering & Margaret his Wife. Philip White. (ibid., fol. 254.)

Same date, sworn at Boston, "Philip White who was born & Lived at Kennebeck Aged about Seventy five Years Testifieth & Saith that he knew John Pride who lived in the Eastern Parts at Cape An-awagin a Fishing Island And that he the said John Pride Married Jane Lovering of Sheepscott the reputed Sister of William Lovering of said Sheepscott & he knew one William Pride to be the Reputed Eldest Son of the afores$^{d}$ John Pride & Jane his Wife and the said William Pride now Lives at Norwich in Connecticut Colony as this Depm$^{t}$ is informed Phillip White." (ibid.)

27 Oct. 1667, Robert Gutch purchased from the Indians, a three mile tract of land on the Kennebec River. (ibid. 2:22) And whereas Sarah Elkins, a daughter of the said Robert Gutch by deed 1 Apr. 1721, gave her son and daughter Nicholas and Mary Lyddiard her rights to this property, except the part her son Thomas built a house on, they the said Lyddiards convey their rights to Wentworth and his associates, 23 Jan. 1724, for £9. He signs, she marks, wit: Robt Smith, John Tuckerman.

(ibid., 13 fol. 55.) Sarah Elkins of Salem, a daughter of Robert Gutch, conveyed to her grandson, John Elkins, mariner, her rights in lands in York County, which her said father purchased from the Indians, 29 May 1660, on the west side of the Kennebec River, deed dated 12 Aug. 1732. (ibid., 16:225.)

21 Apr. 1734, Sarah Elkins, aged about eighty-one years, declared that fifty six years ago she lived at Kennebec, westward side over against the upper end of Arrowsick Island, she the reputed daughter of Robert Gutch, with whom she then lived, her father had land running by the river from two and three quarters of a mile on to three miles into the woods; she had a brother named John Filman, whose wife was Magdalen, daughter of Robert Gutch, and they had a daughter Mary Filman, now Soper, their only daughter now living in Boston. Deborah Burnet, aged about sixty-six years, a grand daughter of Robert Gutch, had often heard Mary Soper, she declared, say that her father's name was William Rogers who had married Lydia daughter of Robert Gutch etc. (ibid., 17:36.)

"Margaret ye daughter of Mr. Gutts a member of Salem Church but resident in Kennebec" was baptised in Roxbury, 13 Sept. 1663.

William Lovering died intestate and there was no settlement of his estate either in York County, Maine, or in Suffolk County, Mass.

12 Feb. 1690-91, Samuel Williams Sen$^{r}$ of Roxbury was bonded as administrator of the estate of Margaret Lovering late of

same deceased; there were no sureties. There was only one other original paper filed with her estate: The inventory filed 28 July 1691, attested to by the said administrator, Samuel Williams, and which consists of personal property only, this is headed, "Goods of the widow Margaret Lovering was with Deborah Whit & in her Costyty . . . " (Suffolk probate 1914.)

Children:

i. William[2], b. 26 Feb. 1676, Boston, Mass., eldest son, filed Claim to Eastern Lands before 1720, nothing further known.

ii. Margaret, b. about 1679; m. William Johnson of Bath, Maine. According to the History of Bath, pp. 292-295, she married said Johnson and took possession in 1734 of the family estate which is now the city of Bath. She became a widow and lived and died in the family of one John Springer, to whom she and her husband deeded the property in 1753, it amounting to some several hundred acres. She had received this as an heir to the Gutch estate. (See Case of David Jeffries vs. Nathaniel Donnell, 1766.) Donnell had purchased from the heirs of Robert Gutch; and Jeffries held his from the Plymouth Patent.

iii. Robert, b. about 1680; m. Alice Craft.

iv. ? Daniel, b. about 1685, m. 14 Nov. 1717, Dorchester, Susanna Breck, no children recorded to them there. Daniel married in Dorchester, about the time that

Robert was living there and as the Eastern Claim cites that there were several sons of William, it is quite possible this Daniel Lovering belongs here.

ROBERT[2] LOVERING (William[1]), born probably in Sheepscot, Maine, about 1680, died before 4 July 1723, Boston, Mass. He married in Roxbury, Mass., 3 Jan. 1704-05, Alice Craft, baptised there, 19 Feb. 1681-82, died in Holliston, Mass., in 1783, aged one hundred and two years, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Seaver) Craft.

Alice Craft was a much married lady. She married secondly, 4 July 1723, Ephraim Lyon who soon died. She married thirdly, 24 July 1729, Captain John Greenwood of Newton, Mass., who died 29 Aug. 1737. She married fourthly, in Newton, 28 Sept. 1743, James Shed of Roxbury, who died 29 Dec. 1749. She married fifthly, about 1750, John Winchester of Brookline, Mass., who died a year later, and survived him, as his widow, for over thirty two years. With her inheritance from her father, and her dower rights in the estates of her five husbands, two of them, Greenwood and Winchester, being wealthy men, she was a rich woman for her time.

Robert Lovering after his marriage was first of Roxbury, then of Brookline, then of Dorchester, then of Roxbury, and finally of Boston. His widow lived in Newton with two of her husbands, but after her last husbands death she removed to Holliston and lived the rest of her life with her sons there. At the time of her decease she was living in the family of her grandson Joseph[4] (Samuel[3]). She is said to have left a will remembering all her descendants by some memento, but

this was never probated. Her fame lasted for many years, her great-great-great- Granddaughter (Emeline$^7$, Daniel$^6$, Daniel$^5$, Jesse$^4$, Samuel$^3$, Robert$^2$) telling of "Granny Winchester", who lived to be so very old.

Robert has but two land records on file at Suffolk Registry of Deeds:

29 Mar. 1710, Robert Lovering of Brooklyn (Brookline), cordwainer and Alice Lovering his wife, for the sum of £ 35 mortgage to Edward Devotion of same, yeoman, sixty one acres of land in Dorchester. Both sign, witnessed by Nathaniel Holland and Ebenezer Cross. (Suffolk Deeds 25: 227.)

31 Mar. 1711, Robert Lovering and wife Alice of Dorchester, cordwainer, sell to Park Williams of Roxbury, husbandman, sixty one acres of land in Dorchester, with all the buildings thereon, Park Williams and Robert Lovering being bound in the sum of £70 and a mortgage to Edward Devotion. Both sign, witnessed by William Dudley, Edward Weaver, Joseph Hewins, Mehitable Hewins. (ibid., 25:277.)

Robert evidently failed to pay the interest on the mortgage: Writ of attachment vs. Robert Lovering formerly of Brookline but now of Dorchester cordwainer by Edward Devotion, "ffor the balanc the deft has illegally entered into and refuses to deliver the pltf the possession of all that tract or parcel of land . . . 61 acres . . . in township of Dorchester." The original mortgage is filed and on it appear the signatures of

Robert and Alice Lovering. (Superior Court of Judicature 8405.)

Further land records were recorded in York County, Maine:

2 Mar. 1715, "We Robert Lovering of Boston in the County of Suffolk in New England Cordwainer & Alice my Wife for . . . thirty pounds paid us by Park Williams of Lebanon in the County of New London and Colony of Connecticut yeoman . . . confirm unto the s^d Park Williams . . . Upland within the bounds of New Dartmouth on the Eastward Side of Dyers River (bounded by Thomas Gents land) . . . with twenty acres of Meadow lying on the Eastward side of s^d Dyers River . . . also a small lot . . . on Masons Neck . . . the . . . upland in New Dartmouth. . . containing . . . one hundred & sixty acres . . ." Both sign, witnessed by Samuel Williams, Samuel Meeres. 7 Apr. 1729, Samuel Williams testified that he saw the said Robert Lovering sign the deed, recorded 1729. It was actually a mortgage to Park Williams. (York Deeds XIII, fol. 95.)

From the above mortgage it would appear that the claim to Eastern Lands before mentioned was made prior to 2 Mar. 1715. After Robert's death two deeds appear:

23 May 1735, "Park Williams of Lebanon in the County of Windham in the Colony of Connecticut in New Engld Yeoman Sends Greeting Whereas Robert Lovering late of Roxbury in the County of Suffolk in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New

England afores$^{d}$ Cordwainer Dec$^{d}$ & Alice his wife (by their deed of 2 Mar. 1715.) . . . conveyed in Fee to the s$^{d}$ Park Williams a certain Tract . . . of Land . . . in . . . New Dartmouth . . . on the Eastward Side of Dyers River so called as also twenty Acres of Meadow lying on the Easterly Side of said Dyers River & also a Small Lott . . . on Masons Neck . . . I the s$^{d}$ Park Williams for . . . Sixty Six Pounds . . . paid by Joseph Lovering of Holliston in the County of Middlesex Weaver Robert Lovering of Roxbury in the Count, of Suffolk Bricklayer Samuel Lovering & Abigail Lovering Spinster both of Newton in the County of Middlesex & John Eaton of Dedham in the County of Suffolk husbandman & Eliz$^{a}$ his Wife in Right of his Wife (which s$^{d}$ Joseph Robert Samuel Abigail & Eliz$^{a}$ are the children & Heirs of the s$^{d}$ Robert Lovering)" convey to the said children the said property; signs, witnessed by Noah Perin and John Greenwood; recorded 1736. (ibid., XVIII, fol. 46.)

26 May 1735, "Joseph Lovering of Holliston . . . Weaver Robert Lovering of Roxbury . . . Bricklayer Sam$^{l}$ Lovering & Abigail Lovering both of Newton . . . & Eliza Eaton of Dedham . . . all Children of Robert Lovering late of Roxbury . . . Cordwainer Dec$^{d}$ . . . Know ye that we . . . for . . . thirty Pounds . . . paid by Park Williams of Lebanon . . . Yeoman . . . quit claim unto the said Park Williams . . . our Right . . . which we . . . ever had or have in . . . Lands . . . belonging to our great grandfather Robert Gutch deceased &

was conveyed unto our said great Grandfather by several Sagamores (by a writing dated 29 May 1660) . . . Also all our . . . Right . . . to . . . Lands . . . granted to our Grandfather William Lovering late of New Dartmouth in the County of Cornwall Yeoman Dec$^{d}$ . . . being one hundred & Sixty Acres lying on the Eastward Side of Dyers River bounded by land of Thomas Gent . . . with Twenty acres of Meadow lying on the Eastward side of said Dyers River . . . Also a small Lot . . . on Masons Neck . . . " John Eaton husband of said Elizabeth quits his dower rights. All sign, witnessed by John Metcalf, Mary Lyon her mark, recorded 1736. (ibid., fol. 61.)

This identical deed, acknowledged 23 July 1735, and the witnesses as John Metcalf, William Grant, Phebe Greenwood and Mary X Lyon is filed with a Court Case. (Superior Court of Judicature 24657.)

There was no formal settlement of either Robert or his widow's estates.

Children:

i. Abigail$^{3}$, b. 7 Nov. 1705, probably Dorchester (she is entered on the Brookline records as b. 7 Nov. 1706, which is impossible as her brother, Joseph, entered with her on the record, was b. 6 Mar. 1706-07), d. 25 Sept. 1739, Newton; m. 21 Nov. 1738, Newton, William Grant, b. 10 June 1717, Watertown, son of Joshua and Anna (Nevinson) Grant. He m. (2), Elizabeth Marshall in Medway

and had six children by her. Child (Grant), by Abigail Lovering, (1) Robert, b. 1739.

ii. Joseph, b. 6 Mar. 1706-07, Brookline, d. 14 Oct. 1771, Holliston; m. (1), 22 Jan. 1730-31, Hannah Bacon, who d. Mar. 1759, Holliston; m. (2), int. 10 Dec. 1763, Bellingham, Margaret (Snow) (Atwood) Thayer. Children (Lovering), all b. Holliston, by Hannah, (1) Craft, b. 14 Oct. 1731; (2) Thaddeus, b. 6 Sept. 1735; (3) Mary, b. 10 June, d. 22 June 1739; (4) Mary, b. 7 Jan. 1742; (5) Hannah bapt. 29 Mar. 1747; (6) Elizabeth, b. 23 Oct. 1750; m. Isaac Littlefield;* (*These children are given in the Craft Genealogy, but they are the children of Joseph and Mercy (Cozzens) Johnson not Lovering, as see Holliston Vital Records.) In 1735 he sold land in Mendon to Eleazer Bullard of Medfield, and was then of Holliston, a weaver. (Suffolk Deeds 50:214.)

iii. Elizabeth, b. 19 Mar. 1708, Roxbury, d. 18 Oct. 1744, Dedham; m. 23 Apr. 1729, John Eaton of Stoughton, Mass., who d. 23 Feb. 1770, Dedham. Children (Eaton), first two in Stoughton, rest in Dedham, (1) Elizabeth, b. Sept. 1730; (2) John, b. 3 June 1732; (3) Robert, b. 13 Apr. 1734; (4) Abigail, b. 13 Jan. 1735-36; (5) Sarah, b. 30 Dec. 1738; (6) Alice, b. 31 Jan.

1740-41; (7) Thomas, b. 30 May 1743.

iv. Robert, b. 26 May 1710, Roxbury, d. 19 Nov. 1762, Boston (Trinity Ch. Recd.); m. 12 Mar. 1735, Boston, Rebecca Gardner, dau. of Thomas and Rebecca (Mayo) Gardner; she m. (2), 16 Aug. 1764, Boston, Thomas Nettleton. Children (Lovering), b. or bapt. in Boston, (1) Joseph-Mayo, b. 1 Dec. 1738; m. Sarah Ellis; (2) John, b. in Aug. 1739; m. Rebecca Ellis; (3) Thomas, bapt. 28 Aug. 1742, Hollis St. Church, d. y.; (4) Thomas, bapt. 20, Jan. 1744, same church, d. y.; (5) William, b. 14 Oct. 1746; m. Sarah Flanagan who m. (2), Jedediah Currier; (6) Samuel, b. 12 Nov. 1749; m. Jane Watts and Mrs. Sarah English; (7) Thomas, bapt. 16 May 1755, Trinity, in record called son of Robert and Rachel, an evident error.

v. William, b. 1 Mar. 1713, Roxbury, d. 21 June 1713 same.

vi. Samuel, b. 5 Dec. 1715, Boston; m. Mary Leland.

SAMUEL[3] LOVERING (Robert[2], William[1],) born in Boston, Mass., 5 Dec. 1715, his birth entered on the Roxbury, Mass., Vital Records with this note "His father having removed to Boston," died in Holliston, Mass., between 1789 and 1792. He married in Holliston, 8 Nov.1739, Mary Leland, born in Sherborn, Mass., 13 June 1723, died before 1787, daughter of Isaac and Mary (Hunt) Leland.

Samuel's brother, Robert[3] Lovering, remained in Boston in Suffolk County, but his brother Joseph[3] Lovering removed as a young man to Holliston in Middlesex County, where Samuel evidently joined him, going there after 1735, from Newton in the latter county, where his mother was then living. Both Joseph and Samuel were weavers by trade, their father having been a cordwainer (shoemaker) and their brother, Robert, a mason or bricklayer.

A Samuel Lovering and a Mrs. Sarah Pratt took out intentions of marriage 26 July 1783, at Holliston but were "Forbid by y[e] Selectmen," this might apply to Samuel or to his son Samuel[4] a little work would probably settle this point.

Samuel Lovering served in the French Wars as did his son, Samuel Jr., and had the honor to have all six of his sons serve in the Revolution.

22 Apr. 1757, "Samuel Loverring" was a member of the Holliston Foot Company, Captain Samuel Bullard commanding. 24 Mar. 1759, "Sam[ll] Loveraign" aged forty three years, of Holliston, "Had his own gun" and was listed in Colonel John Jones

Regiment as enlisting 24 March. Samuel Lovering served in Captain John Nixon's company, in Colonel Timothy Ruggles (1st) Battalion) Regiment, was of Holliston, service from 25 March to 30 April, 1759. He was again listed from 30 April to 23 May that year, Ruggles being then a Brigadier General. The name of "Samuel Lovring" appears on a muster roll 5 Mar. 1760, residence Holliston, under Captain John Nixon, from 24 March to 2 December, 36 weeks and 2 days, at Crown Point. "Samuel Lovring" was in Captain James Grays Company, residence Holliston, from 29 March to 20 November 1762, list made 23 Feb. 1763. (Massachusetts Archives 97:184,234,152,34,154; 95:306,99:247.)

His son, Samuel Lovering Jr., also had service with him in this campaign. He served from 6 April to 30 April 1759 under Captain John Nixon, same regiment; enlisted, aged eighteen, residence Holliston, and "Had his own gun," under Colonel Jones - name spelled as "Loveraign," in this roll; served from 24 March to 2 December 1760 under Captain John Nixon - in this his master is given as Staples Chamberlain; and served from 29 March to 20 November 1762 under Captain James Gray. (ibid., 97:184,154,34; 99:247.)

We have already cited the York County, Maine, deeds in which Samuel appears with his brothers and sister in conveying their rights to the property of their great grandfather Rev. Robert Gutch and their grandfather William Lovering. Samuel has no recorded deeds in Suffolk County. It is possible there may be some deeds of his in Worcester County, as

Holliston was on the County line between Middlesex and Worcester Counties; these Worcester Deeds and the Worcester Probate have not been consulted as yet for this Lovering Lineage. He had but two deeds on record at Middlesex Registry:

9 Feb. 1784, Samuel Lovering Jr., of Holliston, husbandman, for £ 80, conveys to Samuel Lovering of the same town, weaver, twelve acres in Holliston. He signs; witnessed by James and John Stone. Recorded 1784. (Middlesex Deeds 85: 476)

1 Aug. 1787, Samuel Lovering of Holliston, weaver, for £40, sells to Josiah Hemenway of same town, gentleman, ten acres in Holliston with the buildings thereon. Signs; witnessed by Samuel Lovering Jr., and John Phipps. (ibid., 96: 372.)

A careful search of the Holliston and Hopkinton Town Meeting Records would of course add a great deal to the biographical account of these later generations.

Henry[4] Lovering, Samuel's eighth child had service in the Continental Army in the Revolution and died a prisoner in that War. Samuel petitioned that his said son Henry had served in the Continental Army and died in captivity and that his son's wages were drawn on a forged order, hence by a Resolve of 17 Mar. 1786, the wages were regranted to the father, Samuel Lovering. (Mass. Acts and Resolves, 1784-1785, p. 906.)

Samuel was appointed the administrator of his son Henry's estate, 5 May 1786, with Samuel Lovering Jr., and Joel Butler,

blacksmith, as surety on the bond, all of Holliston, in this bond Samuel is called a weaver. But Samuel by reason of age and lameness was unable to attend the Probate Court, and the oath was administered to him at his home in Holliston. Henry's estate, of course, consisted mainly of his wages due him for service in the War. But Samuel did not finish the administration, and 12 Nov. 1792, his son, Samuel Lovering, and Aaron Maynard and Thomas Carr petitioned that Jesse Lovering of Holden, gentleman, be appointed the administrator of Henry's estate, as the father Samuel had deceased. Hence, three days later Jesse Lovering was so appointed with the said Maynard an d Carr on his bond. With the papers of this estate was filed a certificate made by Samuel Bullard Jr., that Samuel Lovering, Jesse Lovering, Rufus Lovering, were all of them brothers of the deceased Henry Lovering, and that Mary Maynard, Abigail Carr, and Alice Bowker, were all of them sisters of the said deceased. (Middlesex Probate 14373, 14374.)

There is preserved in the Archives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts an interesting petition of Samuel Lovering's. This was dated 1759 and presents that a John Hunt servant of the said Lovering had been a soldier in the last Campaign had been taken ill and Lovering asks for reimbursement for the expenses attendant upon his illness, Lovering having brought him home to Holliston from Westfield, nursed him and so on.

6 Aug. 1787, Samuel Lovering Jr., and Jesse Lovering pe-

tition that a guardian be appointed for their father who is non compos mentis by reason of his age and bodily infirmities. The town of Holliston recommended Lt. Josiah Hemenway, 7 Aug. 1787, who was appointed to that trust, being bonded 13 Sept. 1787, with John Stone and Samuel Parks Esq., on his bond. The inventory of his estate was presented 23 Nov. 1787, amounting to £44. Samuel evidently went to live with his son, Samuel Jr., that fall, and two years later in 1789, his guardian submitted an account which reads as if Samuel were still living. (Middlesex Probate 14379.)

As his sons came into court in an effort to finally settle their brother Henry's estate in 1792, Samuel Lovering Sr., evidently died between 1789 and 1792,

Children born in Holliston:

i. Samuel[4], b. 13 Aug. 1741; m. 7 Aug. 1763, Phebe Smith. Served in the Revolution.

ii. Mary, b. 13 Mar. 1744; m. 10 Dec. 1766, Aaron Maynard.

iii. Jesse, b. 27 Mar. 1746, m. Mercy Jennings and Lydia (Burbank) (Sheffield) Marsh. Served in the Revolution.

iv. Abigail, b. 30 Oct. 1748; m. 10 Mar. 1768, Thomas Carr.

v. Joseph, b. 10 Dec. 1750; served in the Revolution.

vi. Isaac, b. 10 June 1753; m. int. 5 Aug. 1785, Martha Tamerling. Served in the Revolution.

vii. Abiel, bapt. 25 Jan. 1756, probably died young.

viii. Henry, b. 9 Mar. 1758, died in Captivity in the Revolution, unmarried.

ix. Rufus, b. 7 July 1764; m. 22 Mar. 1787, Molly Lamb. Served in the Revolution.

x. Alice; m. --- Bowker, before 1792. (Was she the Abiel baptised 1756?)

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The Peteti$^{n}$ of

Sam$^{ll}$ Lovering

Reportd on

to be made payable to Cap$^{t}$ Perry

Samuel Lovering

(Photostat)

Province of the Masschusets Bay

To His Exellency Thomas Pownall Esq$^{r}$ Cap$^{t}$: Gen$^{ll}$: and Governen in Cheef in and over His Majest$^{s}$ Province

To the Hon$^{bl}$ His Majest$^{s}$: Council and House of Representatives in Gen$^{ll}$, Court Assembled ---

The Petition of Samuel Lovering of Holliston in the County of Middlesx in S$^{d}$, Province Humbly Sheweth.

That John Hunt Servant to Your Petitioner Was Inlisted into His Majest$^{s}$. Service in the Last Campaign Under Cap$^{t}$: David White in Col$^{ll}$: Jos: Williams$^{s}$: Regem$^{t}$: and Was at the Reduction of Fort Fronteac, and Perfom$^{d}$: his duty Untill Upon his Return Was taken Sick at the Great Carying Place, Where he Was pronouc$^{nd}$, Unfit for his Majest$^{s}$: Service and on the 24$^{th}$ of Septemb$^{r}$: Receiv$^{d}$ a pas to Return home and found means to Get as far as Westfield, from Whence Your Petition$^{r}$, transported him home at his own Expence Except Province allowence after Which Said Soldier Was Sick about Six weeks under the hand of a Docter & Unable to do any buisness.

and Since it is the Laudable Practice of this Court, to Grant Necsessary Relief to the Sick and wounded and to allow them Reasonable time to Return

Your Petitioner Prays This Hon$^{bl}$ Court to grant him the Sum of E4-5-10 being the unavoidable Expence of y$^{r}$: petition$^{r}$ as in the account anex$^{d}$ may apear as allso E 2-0/ for the Loss of his time in Lieu of 35 days

which he is Cut off of his Wages and Your Petitioner, as in duty Bound Shall Ever Pray &c.

Samuel Lovering

(Photostat)

Province of the ) To Samuel Lovering of Holliston D$^{r}$:
)
Massachusetts Bay ) for Transporting his Servant a Sick
Soldier from Westfield and for Nursing 3 days in y$^{e}$ hospital there

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| To Nine days for my self & horse ) ) With my Expence @ 5 Shillings per day) | E 2-5-0 |
| to 3 days Nursing in y$^{e}$ Hospetal @ 3/ | 0-9- |
| to the Doc$^{r}$: for Medecens & vizets | 0-7-10 |
| to Nursing him 6 Weeks after his Return) ) home @ 4/ per Week ) | 1-4- |
| Total, | 4-5-10 |

Samuel Lovering

middlesex Ss Aprill y$^{e}$ 7$^{th}$ 1759

then the above named Samuel Lovering
Sworn to the above account to be Just & true
Before me Isaac Coolidge Justice peace

The Committee Report E 3-0-0

William Richardson p$^{r}$ order payable to Cap$^{t}$ Joseph Perry

LIEUTENANT JESSE[4] LOVERING (Samuel[3], Robert[2], William1), born in Holliston, Middlesex County, Mass., 27 Mar. 1746, died in Hopkinton, that county, 28 Sept. 1820, aged seventy-four years. He married first, in Holliston, 30 Apr. 1772, Mercy Jennings, baptised there, 28 Oct. 1750, died probably in Holden, after 1789 and before 1801, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Cousins) Jennings. He married secondly, in Hopkinton, 12 Feb. 1801, Lydia (Burbank) (Sheffield) Marsh, born 9 May 1749, Sudbury, Mass., who died in Hopkinton, 21 Dec. 1830 aged eighty-one years, the daughter of Samuel and Hannah (----) (Emerson) Burbank.*

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* LYDIA BURBANK married first, 1 Mar. 1772, Holliston, Mass. Daniel Sheffield, born there, 8 Oct. 1751, died by 1792, son of Nathaniel and Lydia (Gibbs) Sheffield. She married secondly, in Hopkinton, Mass., intention dated, 10 Apr. 1792, Elisha Marsh, as his second wife. He was born in Sturbridge, Mass., 7 July 1765, died in 1797, aged over forty years, son of Eli and Mary Marsh. He had married first, in Sturbridge, intention dated 7 Dec. 1787, Prudence Morse, by whom he had: Hadassah born 19 May 1788; Ephraim, born 9 July 1790; and Pearly, 10 Dec. 1791.

A Lydia Sheffield was published to Dr. Elias Hayden of Sutton, Mass., 10 Dec. 1790, but the marriage was forbidden. Children: (Sheffield), b. Holliston:

i. Hannah, b. 8 Oct. 1772.

ii. Betsey, b. 1780, d. 12 June 1798, ae. 18, Hopkinton.

iii. Daniel, b. 23 Jan. 1783, d. 1810, ae. 27, Hopkinton.

iv. Sullivan, b. 24 Feb. 1783, (sic.)

Evidently others.

Children (Marsh, b. Hopkinton:

v. Mary, b. 7 Apr. 1793, d. 14 May 1813, ae. 20.

Lydia (Burbank) (Sheffield) (Marsh) Lovering died intestate. It is stated in the Probate papers that she was a widow, and died within six months of 11 Jan. 1831, leaving two sons of age, one of whom resided outside the government, the other being the petitioner who is eligible to serve as the administration. In the accounting an Irene Lovering is mentioned. (Middlesex Probate 14378.)

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Jesse Lovering appeared in connection with the guardianship of his father, Samuel, in 1787, and again in connection with the final settlement of the estate of his brother, Henry, in 1792, in Middlesex Probate Court.

He, as did his five brothers, served in the Revolutionary War, and tradition has it that he distinguished himself in the Battle of Bunker Hill. The official record of his service is as follows:

"Lovering, Jesse, Holliston, Drummer, Capt. John Stone's (Holliston) Co. of militia, which marched on the alarm of April 19, to Roxbury; service, 13 days; also, Sergeant, Capt. Jacob Miller's co., Col. Ephraim Doolittle's (24th) regt.; muster

roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; engaged April 25, 1775; service, 3 mos. 16 days; also, company return dated Camp Winter Hill, Oct. 6, 1775; also, order for bounty coat or its equivalent in Money dated Winter Hill, Oct. 31, 1775; also, 1st Lieutenant, Capt. Ezra Eame's (8th) co., Col. Perry's (5th Middlesex Co.) regt., of Mass. Militia; list of officers; commissioned Aug. 16, 1779; also, Lieutenant, Capt. Ezra Eames's (8th) Co., Col. Abner Perry's regt.; engaged July 28, 1780; discharged Aug. 7, 1780; service 14 days, including 3 days (60 miles) travel home; company marched to Rhode Island on an alarm." (Mass. Sailors and Soldiers in the Revolution. Vol. IX, p. 1011.)

Years later, 9 Apr. 1818, Jesse Lovering then of Hopkinton, applied for a pension for this service but apparently no action was ever taken. This application is of especial interest for it only was brought to light in 1930 when the old Post Office building in Boston was torn down. Then it, with others, was found in the basement. A photostat of this application, the original of which is now on file at the Archives in the State House in Boston, It reads as follows:

"United States

Massachusetts District

Jesse Lovering of Hopkinton in the County of Middlesex and District of Massachusetts a resident citizen of the United States and applicant for a pension from the United States under "An Act of Congress entitled An Act to provide for certain per-

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sons engaged in the land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary war" maketh oath that he served as a private soldier in the war of the revolution upwards of nine months as follows he enlisted on the 12th April 1775 in the company commanded by Captain Leland and afterwards by Captain Miller in the regiment commanded by Colonel Doolittle, in the Brigade commanded by General Sullivan and served in said corps until February 1776 - when he was honorably discharged and is in such reduced circumstances as to require aid from his country. - - Jesse Lovering.

Massachusetts District SS

Boston 9 April 1818

Sworn to before me JM Davis Dist. Judge Mass$^{tts}$ Dist."

Between the line ending "by" and the line beginning "General Sullivan is interlined: "December 1775. Enlisted then in the company commanded by Captain Miller and served in said corps until February 1776."

Now two of Jesse's children did a very "odd" thing. They, Levi and Olive, in order to benefit by later Acts of Congress attempted to obtain money from the government by falsification-perhaps no unusual thing. They claimed that Jesse died 10 Sept. 1844, that his widow died 17 Jan. 1840, that they were the only two children living in 1846. Olive was still attempting to get this money in 1856. The compiler has a photostat made by the Government of this "tissue of lies," the original being at the Pension Office in Washington, D. C. Years later,

Emeline Lovering, a great-granddaughter of Lt. Jesse Lovering, warned her neice (now Mary Lovering Holman) that Olive and Levi had attempted some queer business.

Jesse lived in a number of Middlesex County towns, Holliston, Framingham, Holden, and Hopkinton, and may very possibly have some land records recorded in Worcester County*, his deeds call him housewright (carpenter) and gentleman. In 1790 he was a resident of Framingham with a family of two males over sixteen years, two below that age, and four females. Temple in his History of that town, states that Lt. Jesse Lovering was living there in 1787 and 1788, that he then owned a quarter share of the Dench Mills which afterwards became Shepard's Paper Mill. He has a number of land records, mainly dealing with his second wife's administration of a Marsh estate. (*See Addenda.)

2 Feb. 1771, Sambo Freeman of Holliston, husbandman, for £86-13-4, sells to Jesse Lovering of same, Housewright, sixty four acres there, wife Nelly Freeman signs by mark, wit: Samuel and Mary Park. (Middlesex Deeds 73:43.)

19 Mar. 1782, Jesse Lovering of Framingham, housewright, for £320 conveys to Aaron Eames of Holliston, yeoman, two tracts of land in Holliston, with the buildings thereon, containing sixty eight acres. He signs as does his wife Mary (Mercy) Lovering. Wit: William Eames, Rufus Lovering. (ibid., 84:283.)

30 Apr. 1790, Jesse Lovering of Framingham, gentleman, recovered judgement vs. Gilbert Dench of Hopkinton, gentleman, for

£196-2-2 damages and £13-19-10 costs, and receives in payment a tract of land lying partly in Framingham and partly in Holliston, part of a barn thereon, one half of the Mills etc., and one half of the Dam and stream rights on which said Mills stand; he was satisfied with the possession, 3 June 1790. (ibid., 99:317.)

27 Apr. 1791, Jesse Lovering of Framingham, gentleman, for £213-3-11, quitclaims to Gilbert Dench of Hopkinton, gentleman, all his rights to above property. He signs this conveyance, no release of wife's dower; wit: William Hunt, Daniel Whitney. (ibid.,99:317.)

23 Aug. 1814, Jesse Lovering of Hopkinton, gentleman, with Lydia his wife, as administratrix of the estate of Mary Marsh, Spinster late of Hopkinton deceased, sell to Nathan Perry of same, land there being part of the Home Farm; both sign, wit: Joseph Valentine and Sullivan Sheffield. In same capacity they sell Perry more land from this estate, 11 Nov. 1814; wit: Moses Chamberlain and Jerusha Chamberlain. (ibid., Hopkinton and Upton Deeds, 16:128,150.) They also sold Marsh property to Samuel Valentine Jr., Innholder, 23 Aug. 1815 wit: Joseph Valentine and Sullivan Sheffield; and 20 Nov. 1815, they conveyed to Sullivan Sheffield by mortgage deed one fifth part of ninety three acres from said Mary Marsh's estate; wit; Joseph Valentine and Gilbert Morse; mortgage discharged 13 Feb. 1816. (ibid., Hopkinton and Upton Deeds, 16:126,191.) 13 Feb. 1816, Jesse Lovering and wife Lydia, both Hopkinton, convey to

Eli Leland and Jonathan Fay both of Sherbon, yeoman and physician, the one fifth part of the land and buildings owned by Mary Marsh late of Hopkinton deceased - ninety three acres in Hopkinton; both sign; witnessed by Sullivan Sheffield and Joseph Valentine. (ibid., Hopkinton and Upton, 16:199.)

9 Oct. 1820, Lydia Lovering petitions that as her husband Jesse Lovering of Hopkinton has lately died intestate that Joseph Valentine be appointed his administrator, who was accordingly appointed 20 Oct. 1820, and in this Jesse is called a millwright. His inventory was presented 6 Oct. 1820. 4 Apr. 1821, his estate was represented as insolvent among the creditors listed were Jesse and Luke Lovering. There are various other papers in the estate, bonds, permission to sell real estate etc. (Middlesex Probate 14375.)

Records from Worcester County.

JESSE[4]

3 May 1791, Elijah Dix of Worcester, Worcester County, Mass., physisian, for £320, sells to Jesse Lovering, of Framingham, Middlesex County, Mass., gentleman part of a farm in Holden, Worcester County, of 150 acres; wife Dorothy Dix released her dower rights in same; wit: Francis Brinley, Elizabeth Harris. (Worcester Deeds 111:435.) Jesse Lovering, of Framingham, gentleman, for £170, then mortgaged back to the said Elijah Dix, of Worcester, part of this 150 acre farm in Holden; wit: Levi Lincoln, Francis Brinley; mortgage released 14 Dec. 1793. (ibid., 111:533.)

27 Dec. 1791, Jesse Lovering, of Holden, yeoman, conveyed to Jeremiah Blake, of same, one acre in Holden; wit: Jonas Gale; John Child Jr.; deed recorded in 1800. (ibid., 137:42.)

14 Dec. 1793, Jesse Lovering of Holden, mortgaged to the Union Bank of Holden, property in Holden; wife Mary released her dower rights in same; mortgage released 8 May 1802. (ibid., 118:550.)

1 Dec. 1800, Jesse Lovering, of Holden, housewright, for £400, conveys land with grist mill thereon in Holden to Daniel Braman of same; wit: Isaac Chinery, Jonathan Fisk. 2 Dec. 1800, Jesse Lovering, of same, housewright, conveys for $500, to Daniel Braman of same, his 150 acre farm there; same witnesses. (ibid., 141:625,626.)

Hence we see that from the summer of 1791, to the winter of 1800, Jesse Lovering lived in Holden.

Children, first six born in Holliston:

By Mercy Jennings,

i. Jesse[5], b. 11 Mar. 1773, d. 31 Aug. 1860, Phillipston, Mass., ae 86-5-20; m. 25 Feb. 1796, Holden, Mary Wilson. Had six children.

ii. Daniel, bapt. 16 Oct. 1774; m. Lydia Chaflin.

iii. Levi, b. 22 Dec. 1776, d. 2 Sept. 1857, Holliston ae 78-8-10; m. int. 12 Dec. 1801, Holliston, Sally Eames. Had four children.

iv. Lawson, b. 15 Aug. 1778, bapt. 20 Dec. 1778.

v. Mercy, b. 1 Mar. 1781; m. 4 Mar. 1802, Holden, Jo-

seph Bancroft of East Windsor, Conn.

vi. Abigail, b. 31 June 1784, bapt. 31 July 1785; m. 15 Aug. 1803, Holliston, Luther Bridges. At least four children.

vii. Olive, b. about 1786, perhaps in Framingham, bapt. 9 Mar. 1800, Holden, d. 3 May 1869, ae 83 Hopkinton; m. 26 Nov. 1807, Hopkinton, Wallace McFarland. Six children.

viii. Luke, b. 28 Feb. 1789, Hopkinton, bapt. 9 Mar. 1800, Holden, d. unmarried, 20 Mar. 1861, Hopkinton, ae. 71-1.

According to the Hopkinton Church Records, Mary Marsh Lovering was baptised there 1 Aug. 1802, (step-daughter) daughter of Jesse and ---- (Marsh) Lovering. But Mrs. Mary Lovering Holman in her manuscript Genealogy of the family states that this Mary Marsh was the daughter of Eli and Lydia (Burbank) (Sheffield) Marsh.

Members in Full Communion.

Hopkinton First Church

23 June 1801, Jesse Lovering received.

18 July 1802, Lydia Lovering received

5 Jan. 1812, Hetty Lovering received

(Manual of First Congregational Church Hopkinton, 1724-1881.)

(Photostat)

United States

Massachusetts District

Jesse Lovering of Hopkinton in the County of Middlesex and District of Massachusetts a resident citizen of the United States and applicant for a pension from the United States under "An Act of Congress entitled An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary war", maketh oath that he served as a private soldier in the war of the revolution upwards of nine months as follows - hi Inlisted in in the 19th April 1775 in the company commanded by Captain Leland and afterwards by Captain Miller in the regiment commanded by Colonel Doolittle - in the Brigade commanded by General Sullivan and served in said corps untile February 1776 - December 1775 - Enlisted then in the company commanded by Captain Miller and served in said corps until February 1776, whn he was honorably discharged, and is in such reduced circumstances as to require aid from his country. - Jesse Lovering

Massachusetts District Ss.

Boston 9. April AD. 1818

Sworn to before me

M Davis

Dist. Judge Mass^tts^. Dist.

DANIEL[5] LOVERING (Lt. Jesse[4], Samuel[3], Robert[2], William[1],) born probably in Holliston, Mass., baptised there, 16 Oct. 1774, died in the South, of Yellow Fever, in 1806. He married in Holliston, marriage record calls him of Holden, 6 June 1791, Lydia Claflin, born in Hopkinton, 8 July 1770, died after 1832, daughter of Caleb and Huldah (Fiske) Claflin. She married secondly, in Hopkinton, 12 Jan. 1832, Daniel Coburn of Hopkinton who died there, 12 Dec. 1837, aged seventy-seven years, his identity has not been investigated.

Daniel Lovering was a housewright and lived in Holliston and Stow, Mass., in Stockbridge, Vt., and in Hopkinton, Mass. Only a young man at his death, little is known of him, except that he went to the South and died there of Yellow Fever.

It is to be doubted if he ever owned property in Stockbridge, Vt., although the records there have not been searched. He has but one land record in Middlesex County:

23 Jan. 1797, Daniel Lovering of Stow, Middlesex County, housewright, for the sum of one hundred dollars, sells to Thaddeus Goodnow of Stow, gentleman, five acres of land there; both he and his wife Lydia Lovering sign; wit: John Evans, Eliab Goodenow. (Middlesex Deeds 124:486.)

There is no record of any settlement of his estate, or any settlement of Daniel Coburn's estate, or of Lydia (Clafflin) (Lovering) Coburn's estate.

Children:

i. Lawson[6], b. 11 Nov. 1791, Holliston, d. before 1837;

m. 25 Aug. 1811, Holliston, Irene Knowlton. Probably two children; their daughter, Irene m. Sullivan Sheffield.

ii. Daniel* b. 26 Nov. 1800, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Emily Rockwood McFarland.

iii. Cynthia* b. 18 July 1803, Hopkinton, d. 1 Mar. 1866, Milford, Mass.; m. int. 16 Dec. 1821, Hopkinton, Henry C. Pierce. Four children.

*Dear Sir:-

Following is information you desire:

Daniel born Nov. 27, 1800.

Synthia born May 18, 1803.

Found in Book 1, Page 158 of Stockbridge Land Records.

Truly

E. E. Larabee

Town Clerk.

Gaysville, Vt.

Feb. 14, 1933.

DANIEL[6] LOVERING (Daniel[5], Lt. Jesse[4], Samuel[3], Robert[2] William[1]) born in Stockbridge, Vt., 26 Nov. 1800, died in Worcester, Worcester County, Mass., 26 Oct. 1878, testate, buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery in Worcester. He married in Upton, Mass., 6 Aug. 1822, Emily-Rockwood McFarland, born there, 29 Aug. 1803, died in Worcester, 6 Apr. 1861, buried in Mt. Hope, daughter of Thomas and Hepzibah (Ward) McFarland.

Daniel Lovering was a carpenter by trade and Winifred Lovering Holman, his great-granddaughter possesses a walnut chest made by him. He was a well known man in Worcester and was associated with Foster and others of the early Abolitionist Movement. He lost his father at the age of six years which was a great handicap to his early youth. His will is on file at the Worcester County Probate Court. He lived in Upton and in Worcester, both in Worcester County.
Children: first five born in Upton.

Emeline M. Childs purchased a house and land at 38 Williams Street in Worcester; this was later conveyed by her to her mother. When her father, Daniel, died he provided in his will that his property was to go to this particular daughter, provided and with the express understanding, that she would see that her brothers and sister also had shares in it. The family talked over the matter and agreed that Emeline should keep the property for life, and that at her death she was to see that the rest of the heirs got their shares. Emeline's death was after that of her brother Daniel Lover-

ing Jr., and Emeline did not carry out the agreement, and Mary Lovering Holman, the only child and heir of Daniel Lovering Jr., never had any part of her grandfather Daniel Lovering's estate. It will be seen that the present owners of the property at 38 Williams Street have an insecure title. Emeline sold this property in 1894 to a Caroline Abbott of Worcester. The present 1933 owners are named Kimball.

Emeline M. Childs presents that Daniel Lovering died in Worcester, 25 Oct. 1878, leaving no widow, these being the heirs: Daniel Lovering of Boston, Mass.; a son; Mary E. Tucker, wife of Erastus N. Tucker of Chicago, Ill., a daughter; and Emeline M. Childs of Worcester, Mass., a daughter; petition dated 21 Nov. 1878. Daniel Lovering's will dated 14 Feb. 1871, codicil dated 25 July 1876, was proved 17 Dec. 1878, and allowed; it mentioned Emeline M. Childs, Lawson E. Lovering, Daniel Lovering Jr., and Mary E. Tucker, all children.

(Worcester Probate Records 37832.)

We Lawson E. Lovering of Kamskatka, Ill., Erastus N. Tucker and Mary E. Tucker, his wife, of Chicago, I., Emeline M. Childs and Charles W. Childs of Worcester, Daniel Lovering Jr., of Boston, for $800 paid them by Daniel Lovering of Worcester, quit all rights to estate in Worcester conveyed by Emeline M. Lovering to Emily H. Lovering of Worcester, by deed; all sign, 5 Nov. 1865. Maria A. wife of Lawson E. releases her rights as does Helen A. wife of Daniel Jr., The deed referred to was dated 26 May 1858. (Worcester Deeds 674:

68; 1444:523.)

i. William Wallace[7], b. 26 Feb. 1825, d. 30 Oct. 1845, ae 22 of T. B.

ii. Lawson Edwin, b. 9 Mar. 1826, "lost" in the Civil War.

iii. Lydia-Ann b. 27 July 1828, d. 1 June 1862, N.C.M.

iv. Mary Ellen, b. 9 Nov. 1829, d. --- 1913, Chicago, Ill., m. 11 Aug. 1849, Erastus N. Tucker. Children, (Tucker), b. Worcester, (1) Ella Jane, b. 16 Apr. 1853, m. William Mason, had Harry, Frank and Fred; (2) Fred Nathaniel, b. 19 Nov. 1855; m. Margaret Westervelt, had Frank, Mary, Fred, and Clara; (3) Mary Lovering, b. 20 Dec. 1859; m. Edward Harrison, had Ella and William.

v. Emeline Mills, b. 8 May 1831, d. s.p.; m. Charles Childs who was killed in the Civil War.

vi. Charles Philander, b. in 1835, d. 30 June 1837.

vii. Daniel, b. 26 Jan. 1838, Worcester, d. 14 June 1900, Mattapan, Mass.; m. (1), 25 Mar. 1860, Boston, Helen Augusta Griffith, b. 13 July 1840, Byron, Me., d. 11 Jan. 1884, Mattapan, dau. of William Atwood and Mary Campbell (Reynolds) Griffith; he m. (2) 18 July 1888, Mattapan, Harriet Elizabeth Johnston, dau. William and Sarah (Cains) Johnston, who d. about 1915. No children by 2d marriage. Children (Lovering), (1) Mary Emeline, b. 26 Apr. 1861, Boston, d. 3 Aug. 1861, Boston; (2) Daniel Waldo, b. 22

Feb. 1863, Walpole, Mass., d. 13 Sept. 1863, Medford, Mass.; (3) Edward Morris, b. 11 Apr. 1866, Charlestown, Mass., d. 13 Oct. 1877, Mattapan; (4) Mary Campbell, b. 20 Oct. 1868, Metropolitan Place, Boston, mother of Winifred Lovering Holman, b. 4 June 1899, Brooklyn, N. Y., res. 1932, Watertown, Mass.

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York Deeds and Probate.

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Vital Records.

Boston Records.

Boston Church Records.*

Middlesex Deeds and Probate.*

Massachusetts Bay Colony Records and Massachusetts Acts and Resolves to 1800.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH.

York Deeds after 1737.*

Holliston, Holden and Hopkinton Town Meeting Records.*

Identity of Daniel Coburn.

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* Unpublished material.

THE FALSE PENSION APPLICATION.

"Declaration -

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York )
)
Columbia County ) Ss, On this 10th day of June 1846 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices Court of the City of Hudson the same being a Court of Record now sitting Levi Lovering a resident of the town of Canaan in said County of Columbia aged 64 years, who being first duly sworn According to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 for himself & another for the Revolutionary Services of their Father Jesse Lovering, late of Hopkinton, Massachus etts - deceased -

Declarant says that his Father - Jesse Lovering died the tenth day of September One thousand Eight hundred & forty two, that he left no widow, but left only two Children viz this declarant & his sister (sic) Olive McFarland, who resides in Hopkinton, Massachusetts,

Declarant further says that his said Father, said Jesse Lovering Served in the War of the Revolution as a sergeant as stated in the Annexed affidavit & Certificate to which declarant refers - That the service for which this Claim is made is for 8 months as sergeant for the tour of 1775,

Declarant further says that his said Father served several times during the war of the Revolution after 1775 as ser-

geant or Lieutenant -

Declarant further says that he has not attended to this business because he resided so far from his Father, and declarant had not seen his Father for fifteen years before his death, which is the cause of the delay in making this application by this declarant,

Sworn & subscribed before Levi Lovering

this 10th June 1846

Richard Carrigan

Justice of the Justices Court

in the City of Hudson"

"Commonwealth of Massachusetts) ss persenly appeared be-
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Middlesex County ) four me the under sined
Justis of the of the (sic) peece in and for the County afore-
said and maid oath according to Law do testify that I do know
Levi Lovering & Olive M^ac^farland to be the Son and Daughter
of Jesse Lovering for my mother did marrey their farther and
I know this to be the Same Jesse Lovering the farther of the
Said Levi Lovering olive Lovering marred to Wallis m^ac^farlend
I further testify that the Same Jesse Loverin did marry my
mother for his Second wife and he was the farther of the Said
Levi & olive the Said Jesse Lovering is now dead died 1844
September the 10 Wheir unto I do Subscribe my name -
Sullivan Sheffield

attest William Murphy

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss, Hopkinton May 1^th^ 1844

Then the above named Sullivan Sheffield personally
appeared and made oath that the foregoing declara-
tion by him subscribed is true

Before me

Moses Phipps) Justice of
)
) the Piece"

"State of New York)
)
Columbia County )
_____ _____ _____ ss on the first day of November Eighteen hundred and forty five. personally Appeared before me the undernamed Justice of the Peace of the county aforesaid Levi Lovering a resident of the County aforesaid - Who being duly Sworn according to law. Testifies in order to obtain a pension. and a certificate for the Services of his Farther - Jesse Lovering - that his Farther often rehearsed over his Services in the Revolutionary War, that his deponent Knows of no person living that Knows of his Farthers Service - that was a sergeant in Captain Lalands Company. that the (sic) would not go and the Company appointed his Farther who took Command and went to the Battle of Bunker Hill - And done other Service - that his Farther then resided in Holliston State of Massachusetts. and is now dead. And also his widow. the deponent thinks he enlisted for 8 months and also served in the Militia of Said State of Massachusetts -

Levi Lovering

Sworn and Subscribed )
)
this 1st day of November 1845 )
)
before me ---------- )

John, C, Clarks

Justice of the peace"

"I Certify that I am personally acquainted with the within deponent and that he is a person of Truth & Veracity

John, C, Clarks Justice of the Peace"

Canaan November 1st 1845

SEAL. "Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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Secretary's Office, Boston;

February, 3, 1846.

I hereby Certify, That, from an examination of the Books and Documents, relating to Military Services in the War of the Revolution, which remain in this Department, it appears that the Name of Jesse Lovering of Holliston, is born upon a Muster Roll of Capt. Jacob Miller's Company, in Col. Ephraim Doolittle's regt in the Eight Months Service, as a Sergeant from April 25 to August 1. 1775. 3 months & 16 days, probably travel is included ----- ..s a Sergeant, upon a Return of same Company & reg.t dated, October. 6 1775. and upon an Order of Same for Military Coats, dated, October 30. 1775.

The above is all the evidence of Service which can be identified with the individual described in the annexed application."

"State of New York)
)
Columbia County ) ss. I. William H. W. Loop Clerk pro tem of the Justices Court of the City of Hudson do certify that it was satisfactorily proven before said Court by the addition of proof satisfactory to the same, that Jesse Lovering, named in the foregoing declaration - died September 10th 1842, - that he left no widow - & left two children only towit the declarant & (sic) Olive M^c^Farland,

And I further Certify that the Christian name of M^rs^. M^c^Farland is Olive & not Polly & this Change was made in the declaration & this Certificate before they were Executed,

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand & the seal of said Court this 10th day of June A D, 1846,

William H. W. Loop ) Clerk
pro tem"

"Hopkinton June 23 1846

Middlesex County and Common wilth of Massachusetts we the under Siners do testify for Levi Lovering & Olive M^ac^farland that the (sic) air Brother & Sister and they air person of truth and their words is to be taken for truth adisputebul (sic) we do recmend (sic) them as Sutch their farther is now dead and Died September the 8 or tenth September 1844

I wolles Ma$^{c}$farland do testify that I did marrey olive Lovering the Daughter of Jesse Lovering the Farther of Levi & olive Lovering we the under Siners do Say they air the only ears of the desest Jesse Lovering where unto we Subscribe our names

Wallace M$^{c}$Farland

Gilbert D Sanger (or Langer)

E M$^{c}$ F Johnson

J M Hayden

the above names air men that is as much respected as aney I think"

We the subscribers hereby certify that we were personally acquainted with Jesse Lovering, that he was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, that he first served under a Capt. Leland who soon became unfit for duty through fear, and gave not only his sword, but the Command of his Company to Jesse Lovering aforesaid, that he the said Jesse Lovering did take the Command of said Company and exercise it during the Battle of Bunker Hill that after the said War was ended said Jesse Lovering married the widow Lydia Sheffield for his second wife the mother of Sullivan Sheffield, that said Jesse Lovering was the father of Levi Lovering formerly a citizen of Canaan in the State of New York but at this date residing in Hopkinton, Massachusetts we further certify that Sullivan Sheffield heretofore named in the Petition of the heirs of Jesse Lovering aforesaid for pension money due said Jesse, for military service in the revolutionary war, is a person that sustains a good moral Character

October 21st 1846

Wallace M^cFarland
Gilbert D. Sanger
Amasa M^cFarland (?) &
Ebenezer Johnson
Andrew J Mc Farland"

"Milford may.16 1847

M^r Edwards Sir I place my Conferdence in you Consernning my Farthers bac pay as m^r Sherman his neglected me I trust you will Gev me a Sertiface So that I Can draw my farthers bac pay at albany for I have bisness their on or befour the first of June next Sir I think I have Sent you all the testimony that I Can you must Conseder I am poor I have Spent a Great deel of time & money and I have ben Very Seek this Last Winter but my helth is tolerble good at present as for the Widow M^ac farlend I do think you ought to Send hir a Sertiface for She Say her husband was in acterwell Service when he runbotons She has Given me power of anaturney to act for her in all Cases for her She alway every time I See her She Sees me She wants to have me See Something about her pention I wish you wold Send an answer/~~and~~/(sic) as Soon as you Can make it ~~Genlet~~ (sic) Conciant as you Can Dyrect youe letter to Milford post office Worcester County I have latly moved into milford So it will be more Convart (sic) fo my leters to be Sent to milford

From a freend with mutch

Respects to you ----------Levi Lovering

M^r Edwards Esq^rn

Hopkinton May 24th 1847

"Mr Edwards

Sir

I recd your letter wishing me to assist Mr Levi Lovering in getting his Fathers pension. I have been credibly informed that his Father died September 1844. Mr Sherman wrote me on the same subject and I wrote him the same. Mr Lovering says there has been a number sworn who testify to the same which he says you will find on some of the papers. I think the statements which have been sent you are correct. and he thinks he has sent you all the information required of him. Jesse Loverings wife died January 17, 1840 as I have been informed. Olive Mc Farland Sister to Mr Lovering was Knowing to all the fucts facts concerning her fathers death and has sworn to the above before Amara (sic) Eames Esq Justice in this place, she is a woman of good character. I do not know as I can give you any more information on the subject. Mr Lovering is a poor man but in my opinion worthy of credit, and I believe him entitled to his Fathers back pay

Yrs Respectfully
P.M.
Silas Moore"

, "Milford August 1st 1847 Worcester County

Esq$^{r}$ Edwards Sir I Recvd you last letter dated June 5$^{th}$ 1847 it does apear that you Cannot be Satisfied with all the proof I have Sent you I Shall try to find 2 or 3 men that leved with my Farther when he died my farther a Carpenter by traid he had a number of men always to work under him and I mean to Com and Breng them with me for you no I am entitled to his Back pay how manney pentions you have Granted when they have not half the proof that I have Sent you pleas to take all the papers I have Sent you and look them over once mour and you will be Sattesfied for god noes it is my write and I hope he will open you hart and do me Justis I do believed my Caracter Stand as fair as mens in general pleas to make my Case you Case pleas to do by me as you wod be willing for me to do unto you I have don every there with full feath Bliveng you wood Send me a Sertiface and I do believe you will Sir pleas to answer me by letter & think on the widow when all the town of hopkinto is for her I am a freend with mutch respcts

Esqr T L Edwards Levi Lovering

As quick as the weather becomes a little Cooler I Shall Com to washingto if y dont do Sum thing for me I am that I am & what Shall I Say unto you my Farther has Sent me unto you"

"Esq^r Edwards Sir I have found the man that help Lay out my farther and help to Berrey him he was a nye Nabor to him , when he died Soon after he died he moved A way into the State of main he is now in Boston and he Has Got Sum Busness thear for a that will take him two or three Weekes if his testemoney taken be four a magestrate will Satisfy you it will Save me Sum Cost if not he is willing to Com to Washington. and I believe you will be Satisfied be his testemoney I have Ben every wheir to find him my Farther lived a Bou the Last House in hopkinton Cose sic to Holliston line Sir pleas to answer me by letter as Soon as you Can for it is my right and I mean to have my right I am poor dont make me unnodles expence Direct your letter to milford Post office respeble yours

to Esqr Edwards Levi Lovering

Milford February 26 1848

Worcester County"

"N B Esq Edwars I want to no Consorning the Widow Macfarlind pension they all tell me he was in actual Servis when he run Bullons he and one Comey Was Sent out to run bottons and hired men to by up old puter to make the botton She is Entitled to a penton her Carecter has always been a Christian Christian woman I dont think She wood tell aney only as it is this has alway be hir Carecter dont fail of riting as Soon as you Can if the aney thing more wanted I will get it if I Can I have neglected and delayed on the account of being Lame almost one year out of too I was Lame by a Small hurt

Which cased me qut a Seekness So that I Cod not do as I would if I had be well

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"Hopkinton May 24 1856

Commissioners of Pentions

when our father died my Brother Levi Lovering hadent seen our father for A number of years before he died and my Brother Levi Came down on a visit to see me and I told him when our father died he died September 1844 in his declaration Levi made A Mistake he Called it 1842 and it should be 1844 I hope you will take in Consideration that Brother Levi made a mistake against us for all the rest of the witnesses have sworn that he died 1844

yours truly Olive McFarland"

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